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FORD SHOALS OFFER HITS NEW OBSTACLES

Agent Tells House Committee No Alterations Considered.

Washington, Feb. 13.—Efforts of House Military Committee to exact a pledge for the manufacture of fertilizers during the 100-year life of the proposed contract by Henry Ford, for the purchase and lease of the government's properties at Muscle Shoals, failed today. W. B. Mayo, appearing before the committee as the personal representative of Mr. Ford, declared that the Detroit manufacturer was not willing to modify his offer in any of its provisions unless it was to clarify language only and not alter the plan.

Committeemen also failed in their attempt during examination of Maj. J. H. Burns, chief of the ammunition division of the army's ordnance department, to adjust differences of opinion between ordnance officers and those in the judge advocate general's department with regard to the Warrior power plant. Major Burns insisted through an extended interrogation that the government was obligated to sell that property to the Alabama Power Company or remove it from their grounds.

He declared it could not be sold to Mr. Ford as a part of the Muscle Shoals project unless the government violated a contract with the company. Previously officers of the judge advocate general's department had said the contract was non-enforceable.

Statements by Major Burns that the Warrior plant was not essential to the Ford plan were countered later by Mr. Mayo who declared the power developed there was needed and Mr. Ford would demand a clear title to that unit as specified in his offer. This situation was regarded by several committee members as interposing a difficult obstruction to be overcome before they could return the Ford plan to the House for disposition while others declared they could see no solution unless the contract with the company was violated.

While the committee worked on the Ford offer, Secretary Weeks continued study of the other offers he has on Muscle Shoals. He notified Frederick Engstrom of Wilmington, N. C., that he would give him a hearing Wednesday after which he would submit his offer to Congress. The secretary has stated that the Engstrom proposal as amended appeared "to be better" than as originally submitted.

Mr. Mayo told the committee Mr. Ford intended to manufacture fertilizers in their finished forms and would not produce "exclusively their nitrate ingredients." He also declared that not more than 8 per cent profit would be imposed and that it was Mr. Ford's intention to deliver the completed product direct to the farmer, preventing their purchase by agencies which might buy them and possibly fix the prices before they reached the farmer's hands.

Questions by several committeemen developed that it was Mr. Ford's intention to use all the power developed by the water projects and other plants for his own purposes at Muscle Shoals. It was not the intention, Mr. Mayo stated, to establish a power selling company to compete with commercial companies.

A part of the power created, it was explained, would be consumed in the life of "automobile parts from raw materials." This statement by the witness revealed for the first time that it was the intention to operate the Alabama plants in connection with Mr. Ford's automobile business and was construed as implying the production of light metals possibly of aluminum which would enter into the construction of automobiles at Detroit.

The Ford offer was scheduled for consideration tomorrow by the Senate Agriculture Committee.

SARAH J. SMITH

Mrs. Sarah J., wife of Squire Winston Smith departed this life Saturday afternoon of last week at her home, adjacent to Select, after suffering ill health during the past several years. She was near sixty years of age.

Mrs. Smith was a daughter of the

late S. M. James and was born and resided all her life in the community in which she died. In early childhood she united with the Christian Church at Select, of which she remained a devoted member throughout her life.

Mrs. Smith is survived by her husband, and four children, Earl Smith and Mrs. Olga Ranney of Simmons and Mrs. Bessie Martin and Mrs. Goldie Leach, of Select, in addition to one sister and two brothers: Mrs. Joe Miller, Cromwell, J. S. James, Select, and Lafe James of San Antonio, Tex.

Burial of the remains took place at the Smith Burying grounds on the day following, after funeral services.

REVIVAL AT NOCREEK; LADY DOING PREACHING

A series of revival meetings is in progress at Nocreek, Wesley Chapel Church, in charge of the pastor, Rev. Granville Jagers with the preaching being done by Miss Alpha Cochran, D. D., Kansas State Conference Evangelist, assisted by Miss F. D. Hendricks of Cincinnati, Ohio.

It is said that the discourses being delivered by Miss Cochran are the clearest and most convincing ever heard in that section and a vast amount of good is resulting from her efforts. The services were begun last Sunday and will probably continue ten days or two weeks.

U. S. HOLDS LIEN ON GERMAN PROPERTY

Harding To Enforce Payment On \$400,000,000 War Claims Before Releasing.

Washington, Feb. 13.—American claims against Germany amounting to \$400,000,000, because of loss of life and property at sea from German submarine attacks will be protected to the last dollar before the United States will agree to return property seized from German subjects during the war, it was learned authoritatively today.

This decision, reached by the Administration, will be embodied in legislation soon to be urged on Congress by President Harding. The President and his Cabinet are anxious that Congress enact a law without delay to govern the disposition of the enormous holdings in the custody of the Alien Property Custodian.

The problem is now the basis of discussions between Secretary of State Hughes, Attorney General Daugherty and Col. Thomas W. Miller, Alien Property Custodian.

President Harding has been informed by his advisers on the question that provisions of the peace resolutions give sufficient authorization for this Government to hold the seized property until provision has been made for the satisfaction of all claims against Germany.

The Administration finds it necessary however, to work out some system that will make that plan effective—possibly a system that will aid in restoring trade relations on a larger scale between the United States and the Central Powers.

It is understood that one of the recommendations which may be made to Congress will provide that the vast amount of capital now on deposit in the United States Treasury be used to improve economic relations with Europe by some plan that will protect, rather than endanger, American claims.

REVIVAL SERVICES

The Hartford Baptist Church will begin a series of revival services, on Monday evening March 6th, 1922, at 7:00 p. m. with Rev. C. C. Daves, pastor of the Baptist Church at Beaver Dam, assisting.

In this series man's depravity and sinfulness, his lost and condemned condition will be forcefully presented. Genuine repentance, saving faith, salvation by grace and the mighty keeping power of God will be presented as they are set forth on every page of the Holy Word.

The church which Christ set up, for which he died and which he promised to keep in the world till his return, will be duly magnified. It's ordinances which were delivered to it will be duly honored.

All who love the truth, all who love lost souls, all who want to know the truth and all who are lost and long to be saved are cordially and earnestly intreated to attend all of these services.

RUSSELL WALKER, Pastor.

50 MILLION ROAD BOND BILL PASSES HOUSE

If Senate Concurs Issue Up To People Next November.

Frankfort, Ky., Feb. 15.—One of the most assiduously-waged legislative battles in the history of the General Assembly of Kentucky ended at 5:13 o'clock this afternoon when the House of Representatives, by a vote of 63 to 34, chose to submit the \$50,000,000 good roads bonds issue bill to the will of the people at the November election. For two full days the House wrestled with the question, with sentiment seeming to sway first to one side and then to the other. The count, 63 to 34, would indicate an easy victory for the bill, but the bill had anything but a comfortable victory.

To gain the goal the bill was compelled to run the gauntlet of amendment after amendment and to shake off motion after motion to impede, postpone and kill. Four motions aimed at the life of the measure were made today and four moves for adjournment were offered before the main issue was decided.

Harry Meyers, of Covington, author of the bill and Democratic representative of Kenton County, dexterously guided the measure around pitfalls and traps and led its plunge thru the walls of opposition that repeatedly were thrown into its path.

Frank Strange, of Warren County, John Brown of Shelby County, and Lucien Drury, of Union County, worked with all the zeal ever shown by opponents of any measure to defeat the road bond bill. They fought vigorously, astutely and relentlessly and they did not quit fighting with the passage of the bill. After that they endeavored to prevent Mr. Meyers from amending the title of the measure after its acceptance.

The issue when first broached was not considered one of politics, but several Democrats sought to make it a party issue and one of the final appeals was that Democrats should put party first and vote for the bill's defeat. Altho, without apparent political significance, it is noteworthy that of the thirty-four representatives who voted against submission of the bond issue to the people, thirty-three are Democrats, Representative Park, of Madison County, being the only Republican who cast a negative ballot.

COUNTY ASSESSMENT BOOSTED \$1,350,000

Local Authorities have received notice from the State Tax Commission of a tentative increase upon the County's property totaling the sum of \$1,350,000. The increase, in the main, is upon lands, mineral rights and mineral leases, with \$100,000 upon town lots and tangible personal property. The proposed increase is apportioned as follows: Lands, mineral rights and mineral leases \$1,250,000 town lots \$50,000 and tangible personal property \$50,000.

The date fixed by the notice for a hearing before the State Tax Commission is February 20, but the local authorities have requested that another date be given for appearance of witness to testify in opposition to the raise.

MARRY AT COURTHOUSE

Mr. Frank Taylor of Prentiss and Miss Katie B. Moseley of Route 2, Beaver Dam, came to Hartford Wednesday, procured a marriage permit and were joined in wedlock in the County Clerk's office by Judge R. R. Wedding. The contracting parties are highly respected in their communities.

ARRESTED ON ASSAULT AND BATTERY CHARGE

Ernest C. Hurt of Olaton was arrested and brought to Hartford yesterday, by Constable John Mitchell on the charge of assault and battery whereof his wife was the complainant. The defendant executed bond for appearance on examining trial which was set for next week. He had his troubles added to by service of papers upon him in divorce proceeding instituted by his wife, before he got out of town.

MONDAY'S SPEAKING LARGELY ATTENDED

Co-operative Marketing Re- ceives Big Boost By Able Speech.

Quite a large crowd gathered in Hartford Monday to attend the speaking at the courthouse in the interest of the proposed marketing association for Western Kentucky. The Court hall was well filled by a representative gathering from various parts of the County. In fact the meeting by far, surpassed the expectations of those in charge, coming as it did in the forenoon when it is usually difficult to get many to attend.

The speaker for the occasion, Mr. Virgil Chapman of Paris, Ky., although a young man, handled the subject of co-operative marketing in a splendid manner, making the workings of the association as plain as any person could desire or expect. He showed the benefits to be derived, explaining in detail every phase of the question.

Mr. Chapman is an exceedingly forceful speaker, versatile, thoroughly familiar with his subject and possesses the attainment of pleasant delivery. Upon a given subject and the needs of the hour it has not been our pleasure to hear a better speech in a long, long time. Much good is bound to result from the meeting held here Monday morning.

MRS. SALLIE MILLS.

Mrs. Sallie Mills, age 71 years, widow of Lloyd Mills, deceased, died at her home near Beda, last Thursday at 9:00 a. m., of illness incident to old age. Sae had been a devoted Christian since early childhood, having professed and united with the Baptist church at the age of thirteen. She is survived by two sons, Marshall and Alfred Mills, with whom she resided, one daughter, Mrs. James Greer, of Whitesville, three half-sisters, Mrs. Warren Mills, Owensboro, Mrs. Alice Hoagland, Springfield, Ill., and Mrs. A. W. Mills, Hartford; three half-brothers, Thos. Cain, Whitesville, Alfred Cain, Owensboro and William Cain, of Missouri.

Funeral services were conducted by Rev. R. T. Harper, Friday afternoon at 2:00 o'clock, after which the remains were deposited in the Alexandria burying grounds.

COURT HOUSE CHIT CHAT

County Court has been in almost continuous session since the first Monday in February, and has heard several cases thus far this week. The Solon Chinn road case claimed the attention of the court Monday afternoon, the court having given way to the speaking of Mr. Chapman, who addressed a good crowd on the co-operative plan of marketing farm products in the forenoon. The C. R. Lee road case claimed the attention of the Court Tuesday. The Barnard ditch case was heard by special Judge Kirk Wednesday. A large array of witnesses were in attendance on each of these hearings.

Constable, John Mitchell, of Dundee, brought Ernest Hurt into the Sheriff's office Thursday morning immediately after the arrival of the West bound passenger train, having arrested him at his home the night before, on a warrant charging him with assaulting his wife. This was Constable Mitchell's maiden effort in the arresting business and he tells an interesting story of the transaction.

On the second hearing of the case against Anthony Chinn last week the jury found him guilty. But Anthony is not satisfied with their verdict, so it is reported, and will carry his case to a higher Court, if not given a new trial in the County Court. It took about two hours to hear the case on the first trial, but on the second practically a whole day was consumed. Thus demonstrating that more deliberate action in court, sometimes produces results different from superficial or more hurried action.

The Circuit Clerk has certified to the Sheriff the list of grand and petit jurors for the coming March term of Circuit Court. The lists consist of

twenty-four grand and thirty-six petit jurors, and are composed of well known men throughout the County.

There is being issued in Quarterly Court summonses against a large number of people, requiring them to answer and show cause why they should not be punished for failure to procure license for dogs owned by them. It is reported that less than half of those shown by the Assessor's returns as owning dogs, have procured license.

The Superintendent of Schools and Board of Examiners have completed the grading of papers of applicants for Common School graduation certificates, resulting in one hundred and six applicants being awarded certificates with sixty-five failing to attain the required grade.

The Assessor is diligently at work on his records preparatory to action by the State Tax Commission and the County Board of Supervisors.

Deputy Court Clerk, Leon Bishop, is again on duty after an absence from the office for a few days on account of sickness. He and his chief have noted the filing of nine Equity and two Ordinary suits since our last report.

BISCHOFF SAYS LOSS \$7,000,000

Amounts Borrowed Of Individuals Averaged \$200.

Chicago, Feb. 14.—Investigation of the operations of Raymond J. Bischoff, 25-year-old promoter, today revealed that more than \$7,000,000 had been "borrowed" from poor persons, mostly of foreign extraction, during the last two years by three men who held out the lure of rich returns.

The amount of "borrowings" ranged from a few dollars up to one "loan" of \$8,000. The average was \$200.

Of the \$7,000,000 total Bischoff was declared to have obtained approximately \$4,500,000, while Leslie Harrington and H. P. West, whom Bischoff accused of imitating his methods of business, were said to have obtained the remainder.

Warrants charging Bischoff and two of his aids with obtaining money under false pretenses were issued yesterday and the police are searching for Harrington, who was declared to have left the city. West was taken today in a raid on the offices of the Western Land Operators' Company.

Bischoff said that he frequently called his creditors together and told them what he expected to make. He declared he lost \$2,000,000 in "wild" oil deals in the South.

Bischoff remarked that if there is any guilt he alone is guilty and he alone should bear the guilt.

Bischoff's method of operating, it was declared, was to give promissory notes in return for cash with promised returns of from 10 to 150 per cent per month. Harrington was said to have raised upward of \$1,000,000 by borrowing money for which he gave as security stock in the United States Nacaculte Company.

West is alleged to have offered an investment which would return \$100 in six months. He is alleged to have taken in more than \$1,000,000 since August thru his operations in the Western Land Operators Company.

TO COMMENCE OIL WELL IMMEDIATELY

Scott, Hickey & Company unloaded an oil well drilling outfit at the local R. R. Station yesterday and same is to be moved to and put in operation on the farm of James Patton, formerly known as the Frank Sullenger farm, adjacent to the Carter well No. 1.

It is authoritatively stated that other rigs are to be shipped in at once and put in operation at other points, one of which is to be used on the North side of the river, in the Washington country.

These people have leased quite a lot of acreage and developments are to be proceeded with at a rapid rate.

MRS. ELMORE DEAD

Mrs. Albert Elmore of whose illness we made mention a short time ago, died yesterday in the Owensboro City Hospital. Her remains were conveyed to Beaver Dam and burial will take place in Sunnyside Cemetery this afternoon.

CIRCUIT COURT TO BEGIN MARCH 6TH

68 Cases On Set Docket; Petit And Grand Ju- ries Summoned.

The Ohio Circuit Court will convene here in regular session, Monday March 8, with sixty-eight cases upon the set docket, carrying the Court up to the eighth day of the term. Of the cases on the advance docket thirty-eight are criminal and thirty civil actions.

The docket as made-up is as follows:

CIVIL Actions. 2nd Day.

Brenard Mfg. Co. vs. Ohio County Drug Co.; American Co-operative Assn. vs. E. Mitchell &c.; Same vs. Ollie Huff &c.; Same vs. J. G. Withers &c.; Same vs. John C. Seaton; Same vs. H. H. Westerfield; Same vs. W. D. Kirk; Same vs. I. H. Coppage; Same vs. W. A. Webster; J. T. Carter vs. H. L. Tucker; Louisville Grocery Co. vs. Ensley Raymer &c.; Lon Beller vs. P. S. Coleman &c.; National Union Fire Ins. Co. vs. Cleoro Rogers; T. W. Wallace vs. American Railway Express Co.; Charles Lunsford vs. George Kirkwood &c.; J. L. LeGrand vs. Harold Holbrook.

3rd Day.

Walter Campbell vs. C. P. Turner &c.; J. W. Foster &c. vs. H. E. Milligan &c.; M. M. Smith &c. vs. Joyce Watkins Co.; L. S. Walker &c. vs. Leonard Randall; W. E. Hicks, Admr. vs. Loyal Protection Ins. Co.; Louann Rowan &c. vs. Beaver Dam Coal Co.; Guenther Hardware Co. vs. J. M. Hoover &c.; St. Elder vs. E. L. Bennett; Robert Burden vs. Farmers Mutual Tele. Co.

4th Day.

E. L. Calvert vs. L. & N. R. R. Co.; J. W. Decker vs. John Decker &c.; Same vs. Willis Minton &c.; Lewellen Francis vs. Broadway Coal Mining Co.; Robert Francis vs. Broadway Coal Mining Co.

Criminal Actions.

4th Day.

Commonwealth of Kentucky vs. I. L. Denton; Jackson Allen; John Culberson; Wyman Patterson; Conway Beck &c.; Same; Same; Same; John Johnson; Estil White; Same.

5th Day.

M. B. Faught &c.; Charlie Peters; Joe Mathews; Everett Kitchens; Herman Park; Same; Anthony Chinn; Same; C. V. Wedding.

7th Day.

Ira Daugherty; Sam Cook; J. W. Wilson; Paul Balze &c.; Clifford Rogers &c.; Lem Coomes.

8th Day.

Floyd Midkiff; Alfred Wheeler &c.; Leonard Staples &c.; Everett Underhill &c.; Beaver Dam Coal Co.; Same; Rander Coal Co.; Rockport Coal Co.; Same; Broadway Coal Mining Co.; Holt Bros. Mining Co.

The petit jury list as drawn for whom summons has been issued to appear on Tuesday, the second day of the term, is as follows:

C. T. Maddox, J. F. Smith, C. E. Wimsatt, Bird Arnold, Robt. L. Vance, W. H. Renfrow, J. L. Massie, James Keown, Ed Eisler, J. W. Cheek, J. W. Neighbors, A. B. Grant, W. F. Howard, Elvis Rander, J. K. Coats, S. O. Keown, J. A. Furgerson, W. A. Himes, J. F. Cooper, Luther Chaman; W. E. Martin, G. A. Howard, Dudley Westerfield, J. R. Milburn, W. S. Likens, Dorris Martin, William Fleener; F. M. Balze; T. H. Chinn, J. S. Cecil, George M. Shropshire, W. P. Hoagland, Isaac Cooper, George Baltzell, Jessie Bennett, Alex Bell.

The list from which the grand jury is to be made-up, to be summoned for Monday, the first day of the term, is as follows:

J. W. Paxton, Earl Hayercraft, R. S. Jackson, C. C. Raymer, Chester Tichenor, Jodie R. Duvall, T. A. Evans, James Browning, Willie Johnson, J. R. Hoover, J. W. Foster, E. J. Telford, W. F. Hudson, A. L. Martin, C. B. Shown, Tice Baker, T. H. Black, W. C. Bullock, Estil Arnold, R. A. Nantz, T. C. Pirle, J. S. Huff, Carl M. Taylor, Sam W. Edge.

"The Microbe of Love" staged at the college hall Tuesday night of this week under auspices of the Parent-Teacher Association, was well attended and much enjoyed by all. The net proceeds amounted to \$35.00 for the Association.